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Chief Stuart Thomas Little Rock Police Department 700 W. Markham Little Rock, AR 72201

Chief Thomas,

I wanted to send you a letter letting you know of the superb job one of your officers, Sheila Anderson, did last week while working off duty in Little Rock. On Tuesday, June 14,2005 my wife stopped by the Kroger in Colony West Shopping Center on Rodney Parham on her way home from work. Once leaving the store and returning to her car she was accosted by a drunk who was panhandling in the parking lot. He kept grabbing my wife's groceries and asking for money with my wife repeatedly telling him to leave. Just as it was about to escalate to a dangerous level, Officer Anderson, came from around the side of our car and pulled the man away from my wife and threw him to the ground. She singlehandedly subdued and arrested him. I learned later that Officer Anderson had witnessed the drunk in the parking lot and followed my wife out of the store at a distance in order to keep a watch on her and others in the parking lot.

I'm usually the one to stop by the store because I get off work earlier than my wife, but that night I was the one working late. It's a shame that crime has gotten to the level in Little Rock that stores have to hire security, but I'm very thankful for officers like Sheila Anderson who are willing to work extra to provide security for local businesses.

Sincerely,

Ernie Lucas

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